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IN RE APPLICANT: Boyce D. Burts, Jr.

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TITLE: Well Lost Circulation Treatment

Fluid Made Therefrom, Method of Minimizing Lost Circulation in a

Subterranean Formation

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PETITION FOR 1-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME TC 1700

Applicant respectfully petitions the Assistant Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to grant a 1-MONTH extension of time to and including January 7, 2002, in which to file a response to the office action dated September 7, 2001.

A check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed. If the check is not present or if there is a surplus or deficient, please credit or charge Deposit Account No. 07-1245.

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Respectfully Submitted

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